- 21. The method of Claim 20, wherein said magnesium salt is present at a concentration of from about 25 to about $100 \, \overline{\text{mM}}$.
- 22. The method of Claim 21, wherein said magnesium salt is present at a concentration of from about 40 to about 60 mM.
- 23. The method of Claim 22, wherein said magnesium salt is present at a concentration of about 50 mM.
- 24. The method of Claim 18, wherein said actin is from a mammalian source.
- 25. The method of Claim 24, wherein said actin is human cardiac α -actin.
- 26. The method of Claim 24, wherein said actin is human skeletal muscle actin.

The method of Claim 24, wherein said actin is from chicken.

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 have been cancelled herein. Claims 18-26 have been added. Support for the newly added claims can be found, for example, at page 8, lines 16-31 and Example 2. Applicants maintain that no new matter has been introduced by this amendment and respectfully requests its entry.

In the event the Examiner would appreciate further explanation or discussion of the invention, the Applicants invite the Examiner to call the undersigned at 650-961-8300.

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